

PARISH COUNCIL OF HILLESLEY AND TRESHAM MINUTES

Parish Council Monthly Meeting held at Hopkins Hall, Hillesley on Wednesday 13th February 2013

Present: Cllr D Darlow, Cllr J Knowles, Cllr A Doughty, Cllr Richard Graham, Cllr S Butcher, Cllr J Cordwell, Cllr P Hemming and the Parish Clerk

In attendance: 3 members of the Public

Public Participation:

- A request was received for a further grit bin to be sited in Hawkesbury Road, in the location where there had been a grit bin historically. There is a grit bin in the vicinity which acts as a central source for grit in that area.
- The pavement in this area gets particularly overgrown with weeds in the summer.
Action Point: Richard Grey from Highways to be asked to undertake some weed spraying when the weeds start to grow.
- A request was received to ensure that the Tresham residents' bonfire site was not allowed to become a dumping ground for inappropriate waste. (see Item 15)
- It was also noted that the grit bins in Tresham were empty. **Action Point:** Clerk to request they were re-filled. (Completed)

1. Apologies for absence: Cllr A Clark & Cllr G Finn **Accepted**

2. Declarations of interest: **None**

3. Confirm Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes of the 9th January 2013 were approved, and signed by the Chair (Cllr D Darlow). All Action Points outstanding from previous meetings were reviewed and completed.

4. Clerk's Report:

- No further estimates/quotations received for renovation of concreted area around War Memorial
- War Memorials Trust – Formal application for a Grant submitted by the Parish Clerk and acknowledgement received.
- Allotments – a total of 10 allotments are now available for existing or new tenants (5 now re-allocated)

5. Correspondence & documents:

- Golden Valley Classic Motorcycle Club Rally – Sunday 3rd March – notification sent to Hillesley Happenings
- Neil Carmichael MP for Stroud – invitation
- Zurich Insurance – Offer to quote – **Action Point:** Clerk to request a quote. (Completed)
- Housing Options Event – invitation 15th February
- Samaritans – appeal for funds
- Gloucestershire Waste Incinerator – appeal to oppose
- SDC – Local Plan – questionnaire for completion – **Action Point:** Clerk to complete with assistance from JFMC (Completed)
- SDC – Grot Spots (litter)- **Action Point:** Clerk to respond naming bridle path from Splats Barn and on Kingswood Road (beyond the village boundary). (Completed)
- SDC – Charter – **Action point:** Clerk to forward to Cllr D Darlow for signature at March meeting. (Completed)

- Spinal Injuries Association – appeal – passed to Cllr A Doughty for The Fleece
- Revive 2013 – Cheltenham Borough Council - developing youth activities
- GRCC – Vision 21 Trustee
- English Heritage – War Memorial given Grade 2 Listed status
- GAPTC – LAIS guidance on Streamlining the Planning Application Process **Action Point:** Clerk to forward to Cllr D Darlow & Cllr R Graham. (Completed)
- NHS – Consultation
- GCC – Highways schemes
- Getting to Grips with Community Rights

6. Planning Applications:

a. Decisions received:

Barn At Day House Farm, Day House Lane, Hillesley.

S.12/2149/LBC - Alterations to rear door to window. Resubmission of previous listed building consent S.09/2249/LBC. **Consent**

b. Applications dealt with under Delegated Powers: **None**

c. Consultation on new Applications: **None**

d. Concerns re development re development with no planning permission.

Action Point Cllr D Darlow and Parish Clerk to review policy at SDC Planning Workshop in April

7. Finance:

a. Performance monitored to date by Cllr J Knowles and approved:

- Balance at Bank £9,354.94
- Payments to Date £3,693.36
- Receipts to Date £7,791.95

b. All Payments approved: **Action point:** Cllr D Darlow to contact Cllr A Clark to arrange signature and posting of cheques and to return cheque book to the Clerk (Completed)

- Jubilee Fields Management Committee - £1200
- Hillesley Churchyard Maintenance - £200
- Hillesley Baptist Burial Ground - £75
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8. Parish Plan Updates:

- None

9. Highways, Footpaths & Waterways:

- It was confirmed that John Tewkesbury had the responsibility for maintaining the Dark Lane Bridle Path.
- A request was received for a further litter bin (for dog dirt) was provided in Chapel Lane. **Action Point:** Cllr D Darlow to contact the Dog Warden for advice & guidance.
- The annual Spring Tidy Up for Hillesley Village was agreed as 23rd March. **Action Point:** Add to Agenda for discussion at March meeting of the Parish Council.(Completed)
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10. County and District Councillor Reports:

John Cordwell – County Councillor

Budgets: Further details on funding have now emerged and will be debated by the County Council at its budget-setting meeting on 20th February. The recommended budget is now £430.91M.

Closure of Wortley Road in Wortley: BT has asked for a closure of this road between 25th and 27th of February around 09:30 to 15:30 each day. Although they have booked a 3-day closure the works are likely to be completed well within this period. This work is to repair a faulty telephone line which has proved impossible to resolve by other means.

Paul Hemming- District Councillor

Cllr P Hemmings advised that Stroud DC is considering whether to go for concurrent elections across the whole district .

11. Local Housing Survey:

Progressing as planned.

Action points:

- Cllr D Darlow to contact Martin Hutchings to agree when the questionnaires will be collected from The Fleece.
- Cllr A Doughty to prepare a further article for Hillesley Happenings in case the parishioners are given further time to complete and return their questionnaires.
- All Councillors will remind their friends, neighbours and other parishioners to complete the questionnaires

12. To review builders' quotations for remedial works to Memorial Green and agree next steps

No further quotations received.

13. Examine 'Risk Review' document and agree any resulting actions

Postponed to March meeting. **Action Point:** Clerk to add to March agenda. (Completed)

14. Agree venue for Parish Council meetings through the summer months and September in particular.

Action Point: Clerk to ask Richard Goodenhough if the Council can meet at Tresham in October. (Completed)

15. Discuss issues with Tresham Bonfire Site and agree actions (Cllr R Graham).

The site is being misused and causing a problem. **Action Point:** Cllr R Graham to erect a notice similar to the one previously made by Cllr T Burden. (Action Taken/Completed – but no sign erected as the site had been cleared)

16. Receive report on Tresham Church Annual General Meeting (Cllr R Graham).

The accounts are in good health. There will be a focus on trying to make the church more welcoming and flexible in its usage by encouraging other activities in the building. There are plans to change the path to improve access for prams. The PCC is looking at further options for funding. **Action Point:** Cllr R Graham to contact David Bradbury (Church Warden) to see if the Parish Council could get involved in some partnership activity.

Meeting closed at 9.05pm

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 13th March 2013 at 7.30 Hopkins Hall, Hillesley

I certify that the above minutes are a correct record of the above meeting

Signed:.....Date:.....

FUTURE MEETING DATES FOR 2013 WILL BE:

March 13th, Apr 10th, May 15th, **Tresham - June 12th**, July 10th, **Aug no meeting**, Sept 11th, **Tresham - Oct 9th**, Nov 13th, Dec 11th